

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD BEFORE THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
APRIL 19, 2006**

A public hearing was held at 6:35 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2006 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

Roll Call.

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Councilmembers	
John Schroeder	Present
Bradley Seger	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Renee Kabrick	Present
Randall Buchta	Absent
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the hearing, a majority of the members of the legislative body must be in attendance. Six of the seven members were in attendance; therefore, there was a quorum for the hearing.

Mayor Schmitt then invited all those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments concerning the closing of a portion of an alley located between 8th and 9th Streets and between Main and Jackson Streets to vehicular traffic.

Notice appeared in the Herald on April 4, 2006. Notice was mailed to adjoining property owners, posted at city hall, and faxed to the news media.

Mayor Schmitt then asked for public comment and if there were any remonstrators present.

Mike Oeding, Gas and Water Manager, presented a map of the location. Oeding explained that there were gas meters inside the Hoosier Business Machine building and the building to its south. The gas department would like to place those gas meters in the alley for safety reasons. He requested that the alley be closed to vehicular traffic. He said Hoosier Business Machine has asked that five feet of space be available for their fork lift. He stated that posts would be placed at the entrance to the alley with signs stating no vehicular traffic.

There were no other comments and no remonstrators present.

On **motion** made by Councilmember Ambrose Schitter, seconded by Councilmember Renee Kabrick, and agreed by a 6-0 vote, the public hearing was closed at 6:43 p.m.

William J. Schmitt, Mayor
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary